

MINUTES
SEX OFFENDER RESIDENCY BOARD
Wednesday, June 10, 2015
City Hall, Room 310
2:30 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dean Gerondale, Ben Heiman, Renee Keehan

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Heidi Michel, Kathy De Cremer

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the May 13, 2015 Minutes of the Sex Offender Residency Board meeting

Motion made by R. Keehan to approve the May 13, 2015 Minutes, seconded by B. Heiman. All in favor. Motion carried.

2. APPEALS

(a) Appeal of Adam Delvaux requesting to move to 2460 Valiant Lane

Adam appeared by telephone from the Racine Correctional Institution. D. Gerondale advised Adam of his right to discuss treatment issues in closed session and informed him not to use the names of the victims.

Adam stated that when he was between the ages of 13 and 15, he assaulted 3 victims (ages 3-5). One of the victims told a friend what happened after sexual assaults were discussed at school. The other two victims later came forward. This was several years after the assaults stopped. The assaults consisted of fondling, oral sex and exposure. Adams admitted there were two other victims for which he wasn't charged. These occurred during the same time frame, but the victims were older (12 and 14). When asked why he did this, Adam said he's come to learn he used sex as a way to cope with negative feelings.

Adam was convicted in 2000. He was put on a probation hold in 2003 and got revoked for not following rules. He used a computer at school to check his email and put a profile on a dating website. He also participated in chat rooms.

Adam's release date is dependent upon finding a place to live. He feels it will be in the near future. D. Gerondale asked why he wasn't offered the TLP. Adam thinks it's because he is not an SBN and he would be low on the list.

D. Gerondale asked about his SO4 treatment. Adam stated the SO4 program took approximately 2-1/2 years and they met 2-3 times per week for a total of 6 hours per week.

D. Gerondale asked Adam to explain in more depth why he did what he did. Adam stated he felt all his friends had abandoned him. He felt lost in between his brothers and sisters who are much older than he is. He didn't feel his nieces and nephews treated him like one of them.

D. Gerondale asked how he will cope with these feelings once he is released. Adam said he will pursue positive activities such as learning to play an instrument, listening to music, reading appropriate books and magazines, exercising and meditation. He will try to be more outgoing with people his own age.

D. Gerondale asked Adam if he is required to attend more treatment programs once he's released. Adam said he believes so and he plans on getting into aftercare. Adam stated he is a high school graduate.

R. Keehan asked Adam about his certificate regarding completion of the "Beacon Program." Adam explained this is what the sex offender treatment program at Racine Correctional is called.

Cindy Delvaux – 2470 Valiant Lane is present to speak on Adam's behalf. She is his sister. Cindy is willing to let Adam stay with her. They are 9 years apart in age. Adam was really smothered as a child by their parents. He gained a lot of weight. He was molested as a child. Cindy visited Adam in prison. She feels being in prison was a good thing because he got out from under his parents' control. He lost weight and was more outgoing. Cindy does not have children. She has pets and thinks it will be good for Adam to help take care of them.

Cindy stated their parents are still living. D. Gerondale asked why they weren't here today. Cindy explained they are in their 70s and her mom recently hurt her foot.

D. Gerondale's concern is that Adam was charged with molesting three children but there are two other victims he wasn't charged with. Cindy was not aware of the other two victims, but still feels he would not be a high risk if he stayed with her. She will be tough on him. He will have to get a job, pay rent and be responsible.

R. Keehan asked Adam to comment on what his sister has just said. Adam said he understands where she's coming from. Once he was away from his parents, there were differences in him. Adam admits being molested at age 8 by a 9 year old.

D. Gerondale asked Adam what he feels his triggers are and what he should avoid to not reoffend. Adam said he should avoid isolation, he should have genuine relationships, be open and honest with his support system, avoid parks and schools, have a chaperone, challenge unhealthy thoughts and beliefs, have an escape plan to avoid risky situations, attend and participate in treatment, and use the skills he learned at "Beacon," such as considering the other person's view, being honest with his parole officer, etc.

R. Keehan checked out the neighborhood and said this house is on a corner. There were lots of kids riding bikes and a church is around the corner.

R. Keehan asked Cindy Delvaux if she owned a computer. Cindy stated she has a laptop but she will keep it in her room.

D. Gerondale is not convinced Adam has had enough treatment to handle the triggers he spoke about and is not confident he is a low risk. R. Keehan agrees. D. Gerondale is very surprised the system hasn't given him an opportunity to stay at the TLP. This would be a better place for him to start because he'd be under supervision, but he'd also experience getting back into society. He could also sign up for additional treatment programs. His sister is Adam's only support system right now and isolation could be an issue.

Cindy stated the two guys next door are Adam's age and are aware of the possibility he may move in with her. They are okay about it.

R. Keehan would like Adam to try to get into the TLP. B. Heiman feels the regimented schedule at the TLP would be good for him.

A motion to DENY the appeal of Adam Delvaux was made by R. Keehan, seconded by B. Heiman. All in favor. Motion carried.

(b) Appeal of Kevin Van Pay requesting to move to 1120 Elizabeth, Row 5, Lot 2

Kevin failed to appear. A motion to DENY the appeal of Kevin Van Pay was made by B. Heiman, seconded by R. Keehan. All in favor. Motion carried.

(c) Appeal of James Moore requesting to move to 421 Cherry Street

James appeared in person. D. Gerondale advised James of his right to discuss treatment issues in closed session and informed him not to use the names of the victims.

James came before the board in February and was approved at this location for 120 days. He is here today to give an update on how things are going.

James says it's going okay. He is still at "My House." He hasn't been able to find another place to live. He is still employed. James will be on probation for another four years.

A motion to APPROVE the appeal of James Moore, address specific, was made by D. Gerondale, seconded by R. Keehan. All in favor. Motion carried.

(d) Appeal of Jonathan Frantz requesting to move to 2224 Imperial Lane, Apt. 2

Jonathan appeared in person. D. Gerondale advised Jonathan of his right to discuss treatment issues in closed session and informed him not to use the names of the victims.

Jonathan came before the board in March and was approved at this location an additional 90 days. He is present today to provide an update on how things are going.

Jonathan provided the board with a letter from a sex offender therapist stating he enrolled in an intense sexual offender program on February 18, 2015. He is in good standing and is very invested in the program.

D. Gerondale asked Jonathan what he's learned. Jonathan stated he realizes how this impacted not only the victim, but the victim's family, his child and his child's mother. He is sorry for what he did. Jonathan has learned coping skills such as working out, listening to music and talking with his girlfriend.

Jonathan works 40 hours a week, through Seek. He sometimes works overtime.

R. Keehan asked Jonathan if they should be aware of any other issues. Jonathan stated he had a PO hold on Monday. Saturday he was assaulted and he had to defend himself. He has filed charges against them. Jonathan has been released from the hold. The board thanked Jonathan for his honesty.

D. Gerondale asked Jonathan how long he will be in treatment. Jonathan believes it will be 18 months to 2 years.

R. Keehan asked Jonathan if he's happy where he's living. Jonathan said "yes." He is comfortable there. He's been there 5 months. His girlfriend does not live with him.

A motion to APPROVE the appeal of Jonathan Frantz, address specific, was made by R. Keehan, seconded by D. Gerondale. Two in favor, one opposed (B. Heiman). Motion carried.

(e) Appeal of Leo Matson requesting to move to 613 Hubbard Street

Motion made by D. Gerondale and seconded by R. Keehan to move this item to the end of the agenda. All in favor. Motion carried.

(f) Appeal of Ignacio Vallarta requesting to move to 1509 Ellis Street

Ignacio appeared in person. D. Gerondale advised Ignacio of his right to discuss treatment issues in closed session and informed him not to use the names of the victims.

Ignacio appeared before the board last month and was approved to live on University Avenue. However, it didn't work out because the previous renters trashed the place and it would take about two months to get it back together. It is owned by his sister-in-law.

Ignacio would like to live on Ellis Street in a home owned by his brother-in-law. R. Keehan drove by and said it's a quiet street in a nice area.

A motion to APPROVE the appeal of Ignacio Vallarta, address specific, was made by R. Keehan, seconded by B. Heiman. All in favor. Motion carried.

(g) Appeal of Blaine Peterson requesting to move to 2040 Preble Ave., Apt. 1

Blaine appeared in person. D. Gerondale advised Blaine of his right to discuss treatment issues in closed session and informed him not to use the names of the victims.

Blaine is currently homeless. He is on bracelet monitoring. Blaine was previously approved to live at 417 Rutgers. He ended up back in prison for breaking one of the rules on his sex offender probation sheet. He went back to prison for 1-1/2 years. He's been homeless for 1-1/2 years but has continued working.

Blaine has many medical problems. He has a psychiatric appointment every three months, is being treated for depression and bipolar and has cardiac problems. Blaine sees Jim Drake once a week.

Blaine cannot go to the TLP because he is not considered high risk. He slept behind Sam's Club most of last summer. He cannot live with his girlfriend because she lives across the street from a park.

A motion to APPROVE the appeal of Blaine Peterson, address specific, was made by R. Keehan, seconded by B. Heiman. All in favor. Motion carried.

(h) Appeal of Colin Summers requesting to move to 344 N. Oakland Avenue

Colin appeared in person. D. Gerondale advised Colin of his right to discuss treatment issues in closed session and informed him not to use the names of the victims.

Colin stated that in 2000, he was working at a daycare facility and he assaulted two of his students. He was 18 years of age. He fondled two boys ages 7 and 8. One of the children told his parents what happened.

When asked by D. Gerondale why he did it, Colin said at that time in his life, it was for power and control. He was losing control over everything else in his life. His family was not supportive. He had face value friends and was using drugs. It was a bad time in his life.

Colin was convicted in 2002. He went to prison for three years and was released in 2005 to the TLP. He violated his supervision after six months (contact with minors with an unapproved chaperone). He went back to prison for another six years and got out in 2008 and has been out ever since.

Colin lived in Ashwaubenon for seven years and then the building was sold and torn down. He is currently homeless. He has been "couch surfing" with family and friends since last October. He would like to move in with his step-mother.

Colin has completed all his treatment and has complied with DOC rules and regulations. He has been employed for a year at Krueger International in Bellevue as a machine operator.

Colin started treatment when he got out of prison in 2008 and continued through 2013.

R. Keehan said this is a quiet street. From a risk standpoint, D. Gerondale doesn't see much. R. Keehan asked Colin how he got away with this at a daycare without anyone noticing. Colin stated he doesn't feel he got away with it, as he was only employed there for six months. The assaults started at the end. It consisted of fondling over clothing while at a desk doing homework or arts and crafts. It was very covered up.

Colin feels he's done a lot of growing up since 2000. Everything is now straightforward. He's been out 7 years with no issues. He's maintained full time employment since being released.

D. Gerondale is not thrilled with this location because several offenders already live in the area. Colin said he's been looking for a long time and this is a last resort. He is tired of couch surfing. He's tired of being homeless. His step-mother is okay with it. She's lived here 10+ years.

A motion to APPROVE the appeal of Colin Summers for a period of six months (until December 9, 2015), address specific, was made by D. Gerondale, seconded by R. Keehan. All in favor. Motion carried.

D. Gerondale feels this will give Colin time to find another place to live. He is concerned with the density of offenders in this area.

(i) Appeal of Branden Neidl requesting to move to 1700 Ninth Street, Apt. 5

Branden appeared in person. D. Gerondale advised Branden of his right to discuss treatment issues in closed session and informed him not to use the names of the victims.

When he was 11 years old, Branden tried to have sex with a 4 year old. In 2002, when Branden was 14 or 15, he tried to have sex with another 4 year old. In 2007, when Branden was 20, he had sex with a 14 year old. He did not know the victim prior to meeting her. Branden spent seven years in prison. He was released in August 2014 and stayed at the TLP until December. He's been homeless since then.

D. Gerondale asked Branden what's different today than in 2007. Branden said in 2007, he was young and dumb and didn't really care about anything. He did what he wanted to do. When he got locked up, he realized he needed to grow up and do

something with his life. He is starting college at NWTC in September for welding. He provided the board with his student ID card.

Branden stated he is currently on SSI because of his mental health. He is looking for a part-time job. He wants to stay busy and keep out of trouble. He's been out 10 months with no problems. He is bipolar, has ADHD, depression and psychotic symptoms. He is on medications. He developed coping skills while in prison. Branden will get financial aid for school and will be able to afford to live on his own.

Cassandra Besaw – 1820 Frank Street. Cassandra is Branden's sister. Branden has been staying with her the past month on and off since he left the TLP. She and his grandmother have been working with him to keep him structured. Cassandra has 4 and 5 year old boys and she trusts him with them. She takes him to the mall to go shopping. Cassandra feels what happened in the apartment complex was because Branden didn't know the age of the victim. Going from hotel to hotel is taking away Branden's SSI money. Her neighbors trust Branden around their children.

Judy Neidl – 1133 Hobart Drive. Judy is Branden's paternal grandmother. She is his payee. Judy believes Branden needs a chance to get out and live his life. She is helping keep Branden on track, as he needs a lot of coaching. It's difficult for Branden to keep on track. They help keep him in a progressive motion.

D. Gerondale asked if his living alone is a good thing or a bad thing. Judy stated he is not supposed to have anyone in the apartment. It is a couple blocks from her so she can check on him any time. He knows this and told her not to worry.

Branden will be in aftercare until March 2016.

D. Gerondale is concerned with the location, as it is close to a school. R. Keehan drove by and said it's on the back side of the school. She honestly didn't know there was a school there when she drove by the house, so didn't feel it was a concern at the time. B. Heiman stated he is okay with it.

A motion to APPROVE the appeal of Brenden Neidl, address specific, for a period of six months (until December 9, 2015) was made by R. Keehan, seconded by B. Heiman. Two in favor, one opposed (D. Gerondale). Motion carried.

(j) Appeal of Michael Bethke requesting to move to 613 Bodart Street

Michael appeared in person and withdrew his appeal at this time because it is near a library and daycare. He's been out of prison 4-1/2 years. He is currently homeless but stays with friends when it's raining. He works at Manna for Life.

D. Gerondale advised Mr. Bethke to come back when he finds a different address.

(k) Appeal of Anthony Riesland requesting to move to 1122 Twelfth Avenue, upper

Anthony appeared in person. D. Gerondale advised Anthony of his right to discuss treatment issues in closed session and informed him not to use the names of the victims.

In 2008, Anthony was convicted of 3rd degree sexual assault. He and the victim were age 19. Since the victim wasn't a minor, the board stated he did not need their approval. However, Anthony stated his parole officer said he did need to come before the sex offender board. Anthony assumes the reason is because it was alcohol related. They were both under the age of 21, but because she was intoxicated, she couldn't consent to having sex. D. Gerondale stated that because it's a 940 conviction, he did need to come before the board.

Anthony said the victim wasn't fully unconscious but she was in no shape to consent to having sex and he took advantage of it. They had just met that day. He would not recognize her today. Anthony believes her parents pressed charges. At the time, Anthony did not realize what he had done was wrong.

Anthony has been out of prison since 2010. He hasn't had any alcohol since then. He is still on paper.

Anthony was living in Denmark with his girlfriend, but they broke up. Anthony will be living with one other guy. Anthony is employed through Seek.

A motion to APPROVE the appeal of Anthony Riesland, address specific, was made by R. Keehan, seconded by B. Heiman. All in favor. Motion carried.

(I) Appeal of Muhammad Hoskins requesting to move to 1127 Reber Street

Muhammad appeared in person. He is currently staying at The ATTIC on Shawano Avenue. Muhammad has been out of prison two months. He served three years. The victim was 16 and Muhammad was 18.

At first the victim said it was forceable, but 8 months later she returned to the court with a letter saying it was consensual. Muhammad knew the victim prior to the assault.

D. Gerondale asked him why he thought it was all right to do this. Muhammad said he really didn't know the definition of incest. He didn't necessarily see her as family. He slept with her and got in trouble for it. He never lived with the victim but knew her all his life. At the time, Muhammad was living with his mother.

Muhammad took anger management treatment but did not have any documentation with him. He doesn't think he has anger issues but took the class because it was offered and recommended. He wasn't in prison long enough to take SOT but his parole officer has signed him up for it now. D. Gerondale noted this was Muhammad's only offense.

Muhammad stated he is planning on taking an on-line college course, or might go to college in Algoma. He's been working for a couple weeks at Bay Installation. He stays out of trouble.

Muhammad is still at the TLP. He wants to live with his mother.

R. Keehan would like to see anger treatment documentation and a letter confirming enrollment in SOT.

D. Gerondale suggested Muhammad withdraw his application today and be put on next month's agenda when he can bring in treatment documentation. It would be better for him to stay another month at the TLP instead of being denied at this time.

Muhammad explained he is on a waiting list for SOT so he wouldn't have documentation. R. Keehan explained that a letter stating he is enrolled and on a waiting list would be sufficient.

Muhammad Hoskins withdrew his appeal at this time. He will be put on next month's agenda.

(e) Appeal of Leo Matson requesting to move to 613 Hubbard Street

Leo appeared in person. D. Gerondale advised Leo of his right to discuss treatment issues in closed session and informed him not to use the names of the victims.

Leo is returning today to submit employment and treatment documentation. He provided a letter from American Foods and ATTIC Services. He has attended meetings from May 5 to June 2, a total of 5 sessions.

D. Gerondale asked Leo how the sessions are going. Leo said "pretty good." They go over goals and action steps, benefits and gains. Leo's feels his life is good. His bills are paid and he has a vehicle. His job is going well. He drives a fork lift first shift, 4 to 3 every day.

R. Keehan pointed out that Leo is listed as homeless and he's actually been living on Hubbard Street since January. Leo was surprised because his bracelet monitor is hooked up to Hubbard Street. D. Gerondale said he should make sure they have his address or he could be sent to prison for two years. Leo will follow up on this.

A motion to APPROVE the appeal of Leo Matson, address specific, was made by R. Keehan, seconded by D. Gerondale. All in favor. Motion carried.

3. **NEXT MEETING DATE:** July 8, 2015 at 2:30 p.m.

The next meeting date of July 8, 2015 was confirmed.

A motion to adjourn was made by R. Keehan, seconded by B. Heiman. All in favor. Motion carried.